

## SOCIAL WORKERS PROTEST DIVERSION OF FARM MONEY

Step Backward, They Assert, to Use  
Fund Appropriated for  
Street Work.

WAS PROVIDED FOR CITY FARM

Jail Characterized in Resolutions as  
"Antiquated, Inefficient and With-  
out Redeeming Feature"—What  
Proposed Farm Would Mean.

Richmond is in danger of losing one of the most effective reforms planned for several years, according to a committee of social workers, who met at the Young Men's Christian Association yesterday to protest against the diversion of the City Council in the purchase of a municipal farm. After ten or fifteen years of steady work on the part of the social organizations in the city, the City Council was finally persuaded to appropriate \$25,000 toward the purchase of a municipal farm. As a result of the inability of the Administrative Board and the Council to decide who had a right to spend the money, the matter was referred to a subcommittee, which decided that the farm was not necessary. It is now proposed that the money raised for that purpose should be spent instead for the improvement of Dock Street.

The committee, which met yesterday, called together by Rev. W. A. Cooper, to protest against this diversion of the funds. A committee was appointed, consisting of John B. Minor, John Hirschberg, of the former Administrative Board, and Mr. Cooper, to carry a resolution to this effect to the Council. A paper giving full reasons for the protest was drawn up by Mr. Cooper, read before the meeting, and adopted.

CAN SELL PINE CAMP FARM FOR \$60,000

Mr. Hirschberg made an interesting statement.

"Some," he said, "have objected to the purchase of this farm on the ground that the city already owns one farm—Pine Camp—which is sold for \$22,000. I have in my pocket now an offer from a group of men offering \$60,000 for this property. The city could, therefore, sell it, buy a new farm in a more suitable location, and have nearly \$40,000 left for the erection of buildings."

The petition adopted by the General Council of Social Workers follows: "We, the undersigned, who are social workers of Richmond, of purely humanitarian and philanthropic motives, and representing the charitable, social and correctional agencies of the city, do hereby petition your honorable body not to divert the funds for the progressive policy in appropriating the sum of \$25,000 for the purchase of a municipal farm, for the more humane and scientific care and treatment of the dependent, defective and delinquent classes of our population, for a policy of reaction."

We are informed through the press of the city that a recommendation has been made by the Finance Committee to divert this sacred fund from its original object to the improvement of Dock Street. We, your petitioners, do not object to this presumably needed improvement of the waterfront, but we do most earnestly object to the use of this \$25,000 being used for any other purpose than for which it was originally appropriated.

DELIVER PURCHASE OF FARM ESSENTIAL TO CITY'S WELFARE

We believe that the purchase of this farm is essential to the social welfare of the city. The treatment of the dependent, defective and delinquent classes. We base this belief on the following considerations:

First, the jail of the city of Richmond, like all other jails of its kind, is antiquated, inefficient and has absolutely no redeeming feature nor reforming influence upon the men and women confined there. There, in the crowded, filthy atmosphere, men and women are crowded without any proper classification, the tuberculosis and other diseases being often confined in the same cell with those in good health. The inmates, who also are a diseased man and not necessarily a criminal, are committed and recommended again and again. These repeaters number about 60 per cent of our jail population, ranging from two to twenty-four commitments in ten years. In this jail the first offender is often in the most intimate relationship with the hardened criminal, and the institution becomes a seminary of crime and vice. The prisoners all spend their time in idleness and are poorly fed, clothed and given medical attention at the cost of the State.

The proposed municipal farm would correct this evil and relieve the city of guilt against these poor misguided misdoers. The city should act upon the principle that it is the duty of every man to make his own living, and these men and women should be sent to the farm and given work, hard work in the open air, with good, clean, comfortable, sanitary quarters.

REMARKABLE RESULTS ACHIEVED IN WASHINGTON

The city of Washington has established a model farm of this character at Ocequan, Virginia, where the prisoners themselves erected the necessary buildings, constructed six miles of good roadway, cleared 500 acres of land and reclaimed them by using 10,000 tons of fertilizer from the government stables at Washington, cut more than 1,000,000 feet of lumber, built pens to accommodate 250 hogs, made hot bed to raise 10,000 plants, built a brick plant with a capacity of 40,000 bricks a day. This plant now supplies the city with brick, partition and sewer tile. They have also erected a stone crusher, completed last year, that will furnish the city with 200 yards of crushed stone daily. These two plants have an earning capacity of \$100,000 annually. The superintendent of this institution declares that 90 per cent of the normal men and boys who are committed to this institution can be saved.

Second—Another pressing need can be provided for on this farm in a separate, independent unit, and this is a detention home and school for incorrigible boys. There passes through our juvenile Court every week boys who are not yet vicious, nor criminal. They are delinquent because of their mindlessness, or their home conditions contribute to their delinquency. They are not bad enough to be sent to a reformatory, they ought not to be put on probation and returned to their homes, because these homes lack proper environment and parental restraint. Unless the city builds this home and school by this same labor, these boys will become the dope fiends, drunkards, criminals and parasites of the future.

Third, in another separate and independent unit we can provide for the indigent poor and make them largely self-supporting and self-respecting by working them in the gardens raising vegetables and small fruit and caring for poultry yards, etc.

SEGREGATE TUBERCULAR AND FEEBLE-MINDED

Fourth, the tuberculous could here be segregated, and possibly cured, or at least taught to care for themselves so as not to spread the white plague

Among the healthy. The city has only just provided for a few colored tubercular patients, but this is wholly inadequate to meet the needs of the city as well as among the colored, because they are servants in our kitchens and nurses of our children.

Fifth, On this farm we could also segregate the feeble-minded women of child-bearing age and teach them to be self-supporting and save them from becoming the mothers of illegitimate and feeble-minded children.

Remember the words of One who said: "Even as ye did unto me." We, your petitioners, hesitate to inject the economic question into this humanitarian work, but we declare that this is economically sound, because you bring all these philanthropic activities under one administration, and, therefore, save in expenses. Washington City used to appropriate \$150,000 a year for the care of misdemeanants, but last year, if you credit the permanent improvement put upon the property, the city of Washington cleared \$20,000. In one item alone this city reduced the cost of keeping these misdemeanants from \$100,000 to \$23,000, thereby saving \$75,000 to the taxpayers.

The State of Maryland has built and conducts a farm at Jessup's Cut which is not only not a charge to the State, but permits the men to work beyond the task assigned them so as to help to provide for their families while they are in prison, or to provide themselves a competence when they are released. Baltimore city jail is also a workhouse, and has adopted a profit-sharing plan, and the city cleared between \$20,000 and \$25,000 annually on this institution.

NATION-WIDE HUNT FOR BOMB-PLACERS (Continued from First Page.)

from again. The writer intimated that he had placed bombs aboard both steamers.

The Howth Head, which cleared with a general cargo for Dublin and Belfast via Norfolk for bunker coal, had not been heard from to-night. The steamer is not equipped for radio communication, but it was believed here that she had been hailed for some coastwise steamer which had picked up wireless calls sent out to warn both vessels of the supposed presence of bomb aboard. The Howth Head now should be off the Georgia or Carolina coast, it was said.

The Baron Napier cleared for Avonmouth, Eng., direct with a cargo consisting of 967 mules. While neither vessel carried passengers, the Napier has aboard a large number of muleteers, many of whom are from this city.

Louis Halle, recently acquitted on a charge of having manufactured a bomb, which he admitted to the police, was still being held by the police on a minor charge. The police so far have not connected Halle with authorship of the letter, but they say will hold him pending completion of an exhaustive investigation. No other arrests had been made up to late to-night.

The police and detectives still are searching the city for the alleged bomb-maker, but so far have been unsuccessful in their efforts to locate him, according to an announcement to-night at police headquarters. All British vessels in port last night and to-day were thoroughly searched for bombs, and detectives and special police were detailed to remain on each ship until it had cleared from here. Nothing suspicious so far had been discovered on any vessel, it was said.

DR. M'GUIRE CHOSEN TO SUCCEED BEMISS (Continued from First Page.)

report at a later meeting, and the substance of its report will be made the basis of the publicity campaign that will be outlined later.

A letter was presented from Professor Howard Lee McBain, of the faculty of Columbia University, New York, offering to assist in the charter-change campaign should his services be desired. Professor McBain is a native of Richmond, and is connected with the department of municipal government at Columbia. He is at present employed as special counsel of the city of New York in the constitutional proceedings arising from that city's new charter.

TSE-NE-GAT DENIES MURDER

Plute Indian Says He Could Not Kill His Friend.

DENVER, July 12.—Tse-Ne-Gat, Plute Indian, on trial for murder, to-day swore in the United States District Court that he did not kill Juan Chacon, the Mexican sheep herder, whose body was found in Montezuma County, Col., in March, 1914.

Asked by his attorney if he killed the Mexican, Tse-Ne-Gat replied: "No, I could not kill my friend." In his opening statement, the Indian's attorney said the defense would prove that Tse-Ne-Gat was the victim of a conspiracy among certain Colorado Indians who wanted to run the Utah Utes and Plutes out of Colorado.

TEST OF AEROPLANE MOTORS

Several New Types to Be Delivered to Navy Department.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Several new aeroplane motors soon will be delivered to the Navy Department for testing purposes. Secretary Daniels said to-day, however, that until a type of motor satisfactory for navy use is determined upon and it is known how rapidly they can be supplied it is improbable that the number of naval aircraft to be recommended to Congress will be fixed by the general board.

TO PASS ON MAGAZINES

Bureau of Censorship Established in Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, July 12.—Charles S. Hubbard, director of public safety, issued orders to-day for the establishment of a bureau of censorship to pass on magazines sold in Pittsburgh. Magazines transgressing the bounds of morality and propriety will be barred, and newsdealers who fail to observe the police regulations will be subject to arrest.

Four police women were named to read all publications received here each month, and verse, prose and illustrations deemed objectionable will be marked and submitted to the director.

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## M'CARTHY SAYS CITY CHARTER IS ALL RIGHT

Member of Administrative Board  
Critiques Those Who Would  
Abolish His Job.

SPEAKS IN GINTER PARK

Takes Issue With B. W. Wilson and  
C. P. Cadot as to Right of Citizens  
to Form Association for Purpose  
of Charter Reform.

Before the Ginter Park Civic League last night Captain Carlton McCarthy, member of the Administrative Board, took sharp issue with the Civic Association of Richmond in its campaign in behalf of charter reform, and questioned its right to participate in such a movement. He challenged the association to show that a more satisfactory business administration of the affairs of the city could be secured, and declared that the government of Richmond at present is all right.

This was the first expression by any high official of the city administration since the charter-reform movement was launched. The discussion by Captain McCarthy followed an address before the league by B. W. Wilson, who stated that the purposes of the organization was to arouse the interest of the citizens in behalf of a business-like administration of the city's affairs. He said that the campaign being conducted is principally of an educational nature, and that the association is committed to no definite plan.

MCCARTHY SPEAKS WITH CHARACTERISTIC HEAT

When Captain McCarthy took the floor he displayed considerable heat, and in his characteristically vigorous manner he launched into an attack upon the purposes of the Civic Association. His remarks created a stir in the audience in the auditorium of the schoolhouse, and when he was understood to question the right of the association to take an interest in the charter-reform movement, Mr. Wilson interrupted him. The Administrative Board member was asked if he meant to say that the citizens had assumed more than their rights, as individuals or collectively, in manifesting an interest in charter reform. He replied in the affirmative.

Captain McCarthy declared that it was not practical to install a form of government such as he understood was proposed if changes in the charter were secured. He reiterated that the present form of city government was the best that could be procured.

MCCARTHY DECLINES TO MAKE STATEMENT

Captain McCarthy was asked last night to give The Times-Dispatch a statement of the views he expressed before the Ginter Park citizens. He replied: "I have no statement to make." He was then told of the construction placed on his remarks, and asked if he had been understood correctly as to the position he took regarding the Civic Association and its rights. His reply was:

"You can understand them as you please." The Ginter Park League adopted the report of a committee favoring the Charter Change Avenue route as the most direct approach to Broad Street. The plan provides for an extension of Chamberlayne Avenue from a point east of the Valentine abutment, so as to enter Broad Street at First Street. An appropriation of \$75,000 has been made by the city for the purpose of affording more direct connection with Broad Street for the annexed territory in that vicinity. The Street Committee will inspect the several proposed routes on July 20.

DALLAS MAKES BIG OFFER

Texas City Wants Next Democratic National Convention.

NEW YORK, July 12.—William F. McCombs, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, received to-day from Dallas, Tex., an offer of \$100,000 as a cash contribution to the funds of the National Democratic Committee should the 1916 convention be held in that city. Dallas also pledges a coliseum seating 25,000 persons and adequate accommodations for both delegates and visitors.

## THAW SHOWS NO SIGNS OF BEING A PARANOIC

Justice Hendrick Brings Out Dam-  
aging Admissions From State's  
Chief Alienist.

EVIDENCE CAUSES SENSATION

Unless Its Effect Is Counteracted on  
Reridirect Examination, Generally  
Conceded That Liberation of Stan-  
ford White's Slayer Is Certain.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEW YORK, July 12.—Dr. Austin Flint, called as the State's chief expert in the Thaw habeas corpus proceedings late this afternoon, admitted that Thaw has given no evidence during the present jury trial on his sanity of being a paranoic, and that there has been nothing in Thaw's manner on the witness stand that would indicate to a layman that he is not sane. Justice Hendrick brought out these damaging admissions in a series of questions put to the expert while he was under cross-examination. They fell with staggering effect upon the State's representatives, and it was generally conceded that unless the effect of Dr. Flint's testimony is counteracted on re-direct examination, Thaw's liberation is a certainty.

Dr. Flint was asked this question by Justice Hendrick:

"Has Thaw given any evidence here on the witness stand of being a paranoic?"

"He has not," was the reply, amid a buzz of surprise in the crowded courtroom.

The question being repeated in another form, the witness replied: "He has given indications of nothing on the witness stand that would be evidence to a layman that he was not sane."

Again, Justice Hendrick asked: "What way is there for a layman to determine whether this man has a paranoic?"

"Has there been anything here that would indicate to you as an alienist, if you did not know the history of the case, that he is a paranoic?"

"Nothing," said Dr. Flint. The witness declared he had judged Thaw from his family history and the entire record of the case. The question of Thaw's sanity, he insisted, was one for a jury alone to decide, and that laymen would have to decide it on their faith in the alienists.

Continuing, he admitted that Thaw has shown no delusions of grandeur, and again, in response to an illuminating question from Justice Hendrick, he conceded that if Thaw had heard as he did from his counsel and others than an effort was being made to send him to jail, that the Monk Eastman gang was after him, and that Jerome admitted the existence of his belief in these things could not properly be classed as delusions.

As one spectator remarked, Dr. Flint seemed to torpedo his own case. Thaw, who took dinner at the Park Avenue Hotel to-night, after this, his most successful day in court, was jubilant over the admissions that were forced from his ancient enemy, Flint, by Stanchfield, his chief counsel.

He sat and watched Flint through a portion of the raking fire of cross-questioning, and frequently laughed outright at the doctor's discomfiture. Then he turned to other matters, and at the minute that Dr. Flint was recording his firm belief that Thaw was suffering from paranoia, the incurable form of insanity, Thaw was studying closely a road map of the United States, on which is outlined the direct route by motor across the continent to San Francisco. He looked up curiously, smiled, and turned again to the map.

"What are your plans if you are freed?" he was asked. "If my counsel leave me any money," was the reply, "I will first spend a few days in Pittsburgh, and then buy an automobile and make the trip across the continent to the exposition." Dr. Flint's cross-examination will be continued to-morrow morning. Stanchfield will in all probability finish with him in an hour, after which the remaining State experts will be disposed of rapidly. Stanchfield declared to-day that he would be ready to sum up to-morrow. It is altogether possible, therefore, that the case will go to the jury to-morrow night or early Wednesday morning.

The court corridors buzzed with rumors as to the future to-day. In

the event that Thaw is declared sane, Justice Hendrick will still have to pass upon the issue. Of course, there is no indication of the trend of his mind. It is almost certain that in the event of Thaw being freed, however, the State will appeal, in which event, bail will have to be furnished for Thaw, and the consent of Justice Hendrick would have to be secured if he contemplated leaving New York State.

Mrs. Leaman at Hospital.

Mrs. W. P. Leaman, of 319 North Eleventh Street, who returned from Ocean View Monday morning in a serious condition, is reported to be slightly improved at Stuart Circle Hospital. Mrs. Leaman was taken to the hospital immediately upon her arrival. Her husband and two sons have been in constant attendance at her bedside.

## ALDEN BLETHEN DEAD

Editor and Publisher of Seattle Times Passes Away.

SEATTLE, WASH., July 12.—Alden Blethen, editor and publisher of the Seattle Times, died late to-day. He was sixty-nine years old. Blethen was manager of the Kansas City Journal for four years. In the financial panic of 1893 he was interested in banking and newspapers in Minneapolis, and suffered loss of his entire fortune. This he rebuilt in Seattle.

The amount of Blethen's estate is not exactly known, but several years ago he refused an offer of \$1,000,000 for the Times. He owned considerable Seattle real estate and some bank stock. He also had investments in the East.



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